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## 8TH DISTRICT LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS MISSISSIPPI RIVER SYSTEM WEEKLY SUPPLEMENT

Western Rivers  
LIGHT LIST VOLUME V  
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The Local Notice to Mariners consists of a Monthly Edition and Weekly Supplements. The Monthly Edition is published the first week of each month, and Weekly Supplemental Editions are published in the intervening weeks. Weekly Supplemental Editions contain only new information; however, ongoing events/conditions published in Weekly Supplements at times are readvertised in the following Monthly Edition. Light list corrections printed in the Weekly Supplemental Editions are not repeated in Monthly Editions.

The Current Monthly Edition is Notice Number 40-04.

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### BROADCAST NOTICE TO MARINERS COVERED IN THIS EDITION

ORIGINATING UNITS	BEGINNING BNMS	THROUGH	ENDING BNMS
GROUP UPPER MISSISSIPPI RIVER	0540-04 (UM)		0567-04 (UM)
GROUP LOWER MISSISSIPPI RIVER	0325-04 (LM)		0332-04 (LM)
GROUP OHIO VALLEY	0653-04 (OV)		0663-04 (OV)
OB DWRO	0193-04 (OB)		0196-04 (OB)

### SPECIAL NOTICES

LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS CONTACT INFORMATION	Our valued customers are welcome to contact us directly regarding contents, inclusion or omissions in this document. Our contact number is (504) 589-6277. Our office hours are 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (Central Standard Time). This is YOUR Local Notice to Mariners, take an interest and make a difference. (39-04/D8 40-04 41-04)
LOWER MISSISSIPPI RIVER LOW WATER CONDITIONS UPDATE	Low water conditions previously reported between Cairo, Illinois and Baton Rouge, Louisiana, reportedly no longer exists. (41-04/0309LM 43-04)
MISSOURI RIVER AIDS TO NAVIGATION UPDATE	Floating aids to navigation on the Missouri River have been removed for the 2004 Navigation Season. Many buoys may still be sighted on the river, during this closure. These buoys should not be used for navigation. Mariners transiting the Missouri River during the non-navigation season are urged to use extreme caution. (37-04/0448UM 39-04/0469UM 41-04/0521UM 43-04)
LORAN-C OPERATIONS OFF-AIR PROPOSAL SEARCHLIGHT, NEVADA	This is a proposal to authorize LORSTA Searchlight, Nevada, (Rate 9610-W/9940-Y) off-air time from 1700Z, November 2, 2004 to 0100Z, November 3, 2004. The alternate time will be from 1700Z, November 3, 2004 to 0100Z, November 4, 2004. Objections will be considered until 1600Z, October 29, 2004. Users shall address inquiries to the West Coast U.S. Loran-C Chain Operations Control Officer (Lt. S. Jinright) at (707) 765-7590 or the South-Central Chain Operations Control Officer (Lt J. Bailey) at (703) 313-5873. Current Loran-C status is available 24-hours a day via the NAVCEN Website, <a href="http://www.navcen.uscg.gov">www.navcen.uscg.gov</a> . (40-04/NAVCEN 41-04)
ST. CROIX RIVER AIDS TO NAVIGATION	The buoys between approximate Miles 24.0 and 6.0, have been removed for the 2004-2005 Navigation Season. (43-04/0567UM)
LORAN-C OPERATIONS OFF-AIR PROPOSAL SEARCHLIGHT, NEVADA	This is a proposal to authorize LORSTA Searchlight, Nevada, (Rate 9610-W/9940-Y) off-air time from 1700Z to 2100Z, on November 4, 2004. The alternate time will be from 1700Z to 2100Z, on November 5, 2004. Objections will be considered until 1600Z, October 29, 2004. Users shall address inquiries to the West Coast U.S. Loran-C Chain Operations Control Officer (Lt. S. Jinright) at (707) 765-7590 or the South-Central Chain Operations Control Officer (Lt J. Bailey) at (703) 313-5873. Current Loran-C status is available 24-hours a day via the NAVCEN Website, <a href="http://www.navcen.uscg.gov">www.navcen.uscg.gov</a> . (40-04/NAVCEN 41-04)

## SPECIAL NOTICES/CONTINUED

<b>KANAWHA RIVER NAVIGATION CHARTS</b>	The 2004 Kanawha River Navigation Charts are available for purchase by Internet from the U.S. Government Online Bookstore <a href="http://bookstore.gpo.gov">http://bookstore.gpo.gov</a> or by calling the Government Printing Office at (202) 512-1800. Payment can be made by check, money order, Visa, MasterCard, Discover/NOVUS, American Express, or Superintendent of Documents Deposit Account. When ordering by Internet, at <a href="http://bookstore.gpo.gov">http://bookstore.gpo.gov</a> , enter "Kanawha River Navigation Charts" in the "Search the Sales Product Catalog" field and click on the "Submit" button. Click on the "Add to Cart" icon and follow the instructions provided. Navigation charts are no longer available for purchase directly from district offices. All charts must be ordered through the U.S. Government Online Bookstore. The 2004 Kanawha River Navigation Charts consists of one book: Mouth to Head of Navigation, Charts 1-26, \$25.00. (40-04/COE 41-04)
<b>OHIO RIVER LOW WATER AND SHOALING ADVISORY</b>	The COTP Paducah, Kentucky, in conjunction with the Ohio River Ice Committee and the COE has issued this advisory due to reported shoaling and low water between approximate Miles 926.0 and 923.0 and between approximate Miles 960.0 and 955.0. The L/D 52 has reported an upper gauge reading of 18.5 and a lower gauge reading of 13.0 feet on October 12, 2004. The COE guarantees a minimum of 9 feet 0 inch channel depth. Mariners are advised to exercise caution while transiting these areas with drafts greater than 9 feet. (42-04/0640OV)
<b>GROUP LOWER MISSISSIPPI BROADCAST SCHEDULE</b>	Effective 1:00 a.m., October 31, 2004, Coast Guard Group Lower Mississippi River will broadcast marine information on the following broadcast schedule: 1:00 a.m. - Consolidated Broadcast, 8:00 a.m. - Consolidated Broadcast, 1:00 p.m. - Daily River Stages and Scheduled Broadcasts, 7:00 p.m. - Daily River Stages and Scheduled Broadcasts. (42-04/0317LM)
<b>GROUP UPPER MISSISSIPPI BROADCAST SCHEDULE</b>	Effective 1:00 a.m., October 31, 2004, Coast Guard Group Upper Mississippi River will broadcast marine information on the following broadcast schedule: 2:00 a.m. - Consolidated Broadcast, 7:00 a.m. - Consolidated Broadcast, 2:00 p.m. - Daily River Stages and Scheduled Broadcasts, 8:00 p.m. - Daily River Stages and Scheduled Broadcasts. (42-04/0533UM)
<b>NDGPS OFF-AIR MYTON, UTAH</b>	The Myton, Utah, NDGPS Site will be off-air for maintenance from 1600Z to 1700Z, on November 2, 2004. The alternate time will be from 1600Z to 1700Z, on November 3, 2004. (43-04/NAVCEN)

## DISCREPANCIES AND DISCREPANCIES CORRECTED

The rivers are marked with numerous unlisted and unlighted buoys, which are periodically relocated to mark the navigational channel due to changing river conditions. To report Aids to Navigation discrepancies contact the nearest Coast Guard Office.

Coast Guard Group Ohio Valley

(800) 253-7465

Coast Guard Group Upper Mississippi River

(319) 524-7511 Extension 6

Coast Guard Group Lower Mississippi River

(901) 544-3912 Extension 2122

FEDERAL AID DISCREPANCIES	LLNR	MILE	BANK	AID NAME	STATUS	LNM/BNM
TENNESSEE RIVER	32525	70.0	L/B	BIG SANDY LIGHT	LT EXT	43-04/0662OV
FEDERAL AID DISCREPANCIES CORRECTED	LLNR	MILE	BANK	AID NAME	STATUS	LNM/BNM
ILLINOIS RIVER	6995	174.3	R/B	SPRING BAY LIGHT	REBUILT/REMAINS	43-04
LOWER MISSISSIPPI RIVER	11500	387.0	L/B	RODNEY POINT CUT-OFF LIGHT	WATCHING PROPERLY	43-04
OHIO RIVER	27455	770.1	R/B	FRENCH ISLAND LOWER LIGHT	RELIGHTED	43-04
TEMPORARY CHANGES	LLNR	MILE	BANK	AID NAME	STATUS	LNM/BNM
NONE						
TEMPORARY CHANGES CORRECTED	LLNR	MILE	BANK	AID NAME	STATUS	LNM/BNM
ILLINOIS RIVER	6905	186.4	L/B	WOODYARD CREEK LIGHT	REBUILT/REMAINS	43-04
	6990	174.9	R/B	CIRCLE LIGHT	REBUILT/REMAINS	43-04
	7030	169.9	L/B	DROLLS POINT UPPER LIGHT	REBUILT/REMAINS	43-04
PRIVATE AID DISCREPANCIES	LLNR	MILE	BANK	AID NAME	STATUS	LNM/BNM
UPPER MISSISSIPPI RIVER	15450	374.9	R/B	ADM GROWMARK DOCK LIGHT	LT EXT	43-04/0535UM
	15470	371.1	R/B	OJT DOCK LIGHTS (2)	LT EXT	43-04/0534UM
PRIVATE AID DISCREPANCIES CORRECTED	LLNR	MILE	BANK	AID NAME	STATUS	LNM/BNM
NONE						

## PROPOSED CHANGES IN AIDS TO NAVIGATION

Periodically, the U.S. Coast Guard evaluates its system of aids to navigation to determine whether the conditions for which the aids to navigation were established have changes. When changes occur, the feasibility of improving, replacing, or discontinuing aids is considered. Comments or recommendations for changes to aids to navigation should be addressed to: Commander Eighth Coast Guard District (oan), ATTN: Projects Branch, 500 Poydras St. Room 1230, New Orleans, LA 70130-3396 or by E-Mail; to: [my2cents@d8.uscg.mil](mailto:my2cents@d8.uscg.mil).

**All comments submitted should include the following information:**

- (A) Quantity, type, capacity, and value of vessels involved and the extent vessels transit the area under consideration seasonally, by day and night.
- (B) Where predictable, the type of navigational devices, such as compasses, radio direction finder, radar, loran, and search lights, with which each vessel is equipped.
- (C) The number of passengers and type, quantity, and value of cargo involved.
- (D) Chart section or sketch showing the action proposed when necessary describing the recommended improvement.

**Comments must be received by November 5, 2004.**

WATERWAY	LLNR	MILE	BANK	NAME	CHANGE
LOWER MISSISSIPPI RIVER	10450	717.8	LDB	Armstrong Bar Upper LT	Disestablish daybeacon
	11050	533.1	RDB	Vaucluse Bend LT	Disestablish aid structure

**Comments must be received by November 23, 2004.**

WATERWAY	LLNR	MILE	BANK	NAME	CHANGE
LOWER MISSISSIPPI RIVER	9707	899.1	LDB	Everest Landing LT	Downgrade light to a daybeacon
	9710	897.9	LDB	Bessie LT	Downgrade light to a daybeacon

## ADVANCED CHANGES IN AIDS TO NAVIGATION

The following aid to navigation changes will be made in the Spring 2005.

WATERWAY	LLNR	MILE	BANK	NAME	CHANGE
MISSOURI RIVER	20920	104.8	RDB	Missouri River Gasconade River Upper LT	FL G 4 sec to FL W 4 sec

## GENERAL INFORMATION

ALLEGHENY RIVER	MILE 7.2 BRIDGE MAINTENANCE	Brilliant Railroad Bridge; Work on top of the bridge will take place until the end of November 2004. Work will not reduce the vertical or horizontal clearances. (43-04/OB)
ILLINOIS WATERWAY	MILE 201.0 CHANNEL CONDITION UPDATE	Shoaling previously reported in the vicinity of Mile 201.0, approximately 40 yards inside the nun buoy line, has reportedly been marked with 3 nun buoys set in approximately 9.4 feet of water with the Starved Rock L/D Lower Gauge at 440.7 on October 20, 2004. (41-04/0509UM 43-04/UM)
	MILE 141.0 CHANNEL CONDITION	Shoaling has been reported in the vicinity of Mile 141.0, mid-channel. A M/V reportedly bumped bottom at this location with a 9 foot draft with the Peoria L/D Lower Gauge at 430.70 on October 22, 2004. Mariners are urged to exercise extreme caution when transiting the area. (43-04/0561UM)
	MILE 137.0 AIDS TO NAVIGATION	Four can buoys have been reported not properly marking the channel in the vicinity of Mile 137.0. Mariners are urged to exercise extreme caution when transiting the area. (43-04/0562UM)
LOWER MISSISSIPPI RIVER	MILE 808.0 DREDGE OPERATION	Continuing until approximately October 31, 2004, the Dredge HURLEY will be conducting dredge operations in the vicinity of Mile 808.0. The dredge will be operating in the navigation channel and will have limited maneuverability. The Dredge HURLEY will monitor VHF-FM Channel 13 for additional information. Mariners are urged to use extreme caution and transit at their slowest safe speed to minimize wake. (43-04/0328LM)
	MILE 596.5 – MILE 594.5 CHANNEL CONDITION UPDATE	The channel width was previously reported reduced to approximately 645 feet, between approximate Miles 596.5 and 594.5, Victoria Bend. The channel width has reportedly been increased to approximately 800 feet. The area has reportedly been marked with 6 nun buoys and 6 can buoys set in approximately 17 feet of water with the Arkansas City Gauge at 6.6 feet and rising on October 24, 2004. (42-04/0324LM 43-04/LM)
	MILE 541.5 – MILE 539.5 CHANNEL CONDITION UPDATE	The channel width was previously reported reduced to approximately 538 feet, between approximate Miles 541.5 and 539.5. The channel width has reportedly been increased to approximately 750 feet. The area has reportedly been marked with 6 nun buoys and 6 can buoys set in approximately 16 feet of water with the Greenville Gauge at 16.8 feet and rising on October 23, 2004. (42-04/0321LM 43-04/LM)
	MILE 437.3 TOW LIMITATION	The Lower Mississippi River Advisory Committee has reportedly established recommended tow size limitations, for all tows operating in the vicinity of Mile 437.3, Vicksburg, Mississippi, at the confluence of the Yazoo River and the Mississippi River. The recommended maximum tow size consists of 7 barges wide by 5 barges long, or 6 barges wide by 6 barges long, due to low water conditions. Mariners needing additional information may contact U.S. Coast Guard MSO New Orleans at (504) 589-6261. (43-04/0331LM)
	MILE 373.8 EXPOSED PIPELINE UPDATE	Commencing approximately November 1, 2004 and continuing until approximately November 11, 2004, Chet Morrison Contractors will commence work to abandon previously reported exposed gas pipelines in the vicinity of Mile 373.8, RDB. The pipelines reportedly contain no product and upon completion of this project, the pipelines will no longer be considered a hazard to navigation. The contractor's floating plant will consist of a spud barge, a deck barge and the M/V DESIRE. The M/V DESIRE will monitor VHF-FM Channels 13 or 16. Work will be conducted during daylight hours, 7-days per week. During non-working hours, the contractor's floating plant will be moored at the worksite and lighted accordingly. There will be no divers used on this project. Mariners are urged to use extreme caution and transit at their slowest safe speed to minimize wake. (17-04/0087LM 18-04 22-04 27-04 31-04 36-04 40-0443-04/0201-02D8)
	MILE 297.0 REVTMENT OPERATION	Continuing until approximately October 29, 2004 and again from November 5, 2004 through November 8, 2004, the M/V HARRISON will be conducting mat laying operations in the vicinity of Mile 297.0, RDB, Hog Point. The mattress sinking plant consists of a 5 quarter boat complex plus the sinking unit itself and 3 or 4 additional work barges. The floating plant may extend as much as 700 feet channelward. The M/V HARRISON will monitor VHF-FM Channels 7 or 13 for passing instructions. Mariners are urged to use extreme caution and transit at their slowest safe speed to minimize wake. (43-04/00329LM)
	MILE 697.59 BRIDGE MAINTENANCE UPDATE	Lacrosse Highway Bridge; A moveable platform extending 7 feet below low steel will be at various locations in the navigation channel weekdays from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., until November 10, 2004. The platform can be moved with 15-minutes advance notice by calling Zenith Tech on VHF-FM Channel 13. (42-04/OB)
UPPER MISSISSIPPI RIVER	MILE 690.0 DREDGE OPERATION	Continuing until approximately November 3, 2004, the Dredge THOMPSON will be conducting dredging operations in the vicinity of Mile 690.0, Brownsville, Minnesota. Work will be conducted 24-hours per day, 7-days per week. The Dredge THOMPSON will monitor VHF-FM Channels 13, 16 or 82 for passing instructions. The dredge requests 30-minutes advance notice of passage. Mariners are urged to use extreme caution and transit at their slowest safe speed to minimize wake. (43-04/0567UM)
	MILE 619.0 CHANNEL CONDITION	Shoaling has been reported in the vicinity of Mile 619.0, approximately 50 feet off the nun buoy line. A M/V reportedly bumped bottom at this location with an 8 foot 7 inch draft with the L/D 10 Upper Gauge at 611.04 on October 24, 2004. Mariners are urged to exercise extreme caution when transiting the area. (43-04/0565UM)
	MILE 598.5 DREDGE OPERATION UPDATE	The Dredge SPERANZA has completed operations in the vicinity of Mile 598.5, Hurricane Island. (39-04/0479UM 40-04 43-04/UM)
	MILE 538.0 – MILE 533.6 DREDGE OPERATION	Continuing until further notice, the Dredge SPERANZA will be operating between approximate Miles 538.0 and 533.6. Work will be conducted from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., 7-days per week. The dredge will monitor VHF-FM Channels 5, 13 or 16 and requests 30-minutes advance notice of arrival for passing instructions. Mariners are urged to use extreme caution and transit at their slowest safe speed to minimize wake. (39-04/0479UM 40-04 43-04/0550UM)
	MILE 425.5 DREDGE OPERATION UPDATE	The Dredge THOMPSON has completed dredging operations in the vicinity of Mile 425.5. (39-04/0473UM 40-04 43-04/UM)

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UPPER MISSISSIPPI RIVER	MILE 415.3 – MILE 413.5 DREDGE OPERATION UPDATE	Continuing until further notice, the M/V DAVENPORT will be conducting dredging operations between approximate Miles 415.3 and 413.5, along the can buoy line. Work will be conducted from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. The M/V DAVENPORT will monitor VHF-FM Channels 13, 14, 16 or 82 for passing instructions. The M/V DAVENPORT requests 30-minutes advance notice of passage. Mariners are urged to use extreme caution and transit at their slowest safe speed to minimize wake. (36-04/0427UM 40-04/0480UM 43-04/0556UM)
	MILE 219.0 DREDGE OPERATION UPDATE	The Dredge AMERICA has completed dredging operations in the vicinity of Mile 219.0. (42-04/0541UM 43-03/UM)
	MILE 182.0 DREDGE OPERATION	Continuing further notice, the Dredge AMERICA will be conducting dredging operations in the vicinity of Mile 182.0. Work will be conducted 24-hours per day, 7-days per week. The Dredge AMERICA will monitor VHF-FM Channels 13 or 16 for passing arrangements. The Dredge AMERICA requests 30-minutes advance notice of passage. Mariners are urged to use extreme caution and transit at their slowest safe speed to minimize wake. (43-04/0555UM)
	MILE 55.3 – MILE 45.0 COTP ADVISORY	The COTP Paducah, Kentucky, has issued this advisory due to reported shoaling and low water between approximate Miles 55.3 and 45.0, Cape Girardeau, Missouri. The Cape Girardeau River Stage was forecasted at 10.6 feet on October 19, 2004 with a falling river stage forecasted to be 8.1 feet by October 21, 2004. The COE guarantees a minimum 9 foot channel depth. The navigable channel in this area may fall below 9 feet with the oncoming conditions. Mariners are advised to exercise caution while transiting Cape Girardeau and the vicinity with drafts greater than 9 feet. Mariners are advised to consider all risks when transiting the Cape Girardeau area with certain dangerous cargos and to review policies and alternatives during emergency low water. For additional information, mariners may contact COTP Paducah, Kentucky, at (270) 442-1621. (43-04/0655OV)
OHIO RIVER	MILE 11.8 BRIDGE REPAIR	Swickley Bridge; Repair work is scheduled for deck and piers starting October 29, 2004 for the weekends only until December 6, 2004. All work will be done outside of the channel and from the bank or on the bridge deck. (43-04/OB)
	MILE 355.6 BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION UPDATE	Portsmouth-Fullerton Bridge; Work is taking place at each of the channel piers during daylight hours. The channel piers provide approximately 825 feet of horizontal clearance. Mariners should transit the bridge construction site with caution. (42-04/OB)

CORRECTIONS TO LIGHT LIST, VOLUME V; MISSISSIPPI RIVER SYSTEM, 2004 EDITION.							
(* Denotes the column in which a correction has been made or new information added.)							
(1) No.	(2) Name and Location	(3) Mile	(4) Bank	(5) Characteristic	(6) Structure/Daymark Up Down		(7) Remarks
21990	ISABELLA MINE DOCK LIGHT						Remove from list. * (43-04)
21992	ISABELL MINE DOCK LIGHT	71.8	Right	FIG 4s	SG	SG	* (43-04)
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ENCLOSURES
None